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## COUNTY COUNCIL FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND

By: Transportation and Environment Committee

SUBJECT: Environmental Policy Implementation Task Force - Name and Composition

## **Background and Purpose**

- 1. On July 29, 2003 the County Council adopted Resolution 15-313. The intent of the policy contained in this resolution is to make the County a leader in environmental stewardship and to make the County's own operations models for both the public and private sector.
- 2. Resolution 15-313 created an Environmental Policy Implementation Task Force and identified the following duties and responsibilities for the Task Force:
  - a. Develop an Environmental Issues and Actions Report.
  - b. Develop environmental reporting standards that can be used to collect the costs of all environmental actions and related activities of all departments and agencies into standard classifications.
  - c. Review budget initiatives proposed by departments and agencies that would have a significant environmental impact, and forward recommendations to the Council as appropriate.
  - d. Seek public input on environmental issues and work with member agencies to ensure that information on environmental issues is effectively disseminated to the public.
  - e. Consider amendments to the County Code that would make the Task Force a permanent interagency committee, and forward any recommendations to the Council within 6 months after this resolution is adopted.
- 3. Per Resolution 15-313, the Task Force is composed of representatives from each of the following agencies or departments: The Chief Administrative Officer (for the Executive Branch), Montgomery County Public Schools, Montgomery College, County Planning Board, Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission, County Council Staff (ex officio, non-voting member).

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4. In reference to paragraph 2e, the Task Force transmitted a memorandum to the County Council recommending that the Task Force be permanent but noting that, based on legal advice, no amendment to the County Code is needed to make this change.

5. The Task Force memorandum also asked that both the Housing Opportunities Commission and the Revenue Authority be included as members of the new permanent committee along with the original members of the Task Force noted in paragraph 3.

## **Action**

The County Council for Montgomery County, Maryland, approves the following resolution:

- 1. The Environmental Policy Implementation Task Force is renamed the Environmental Policy Implementation Committee.
- 2. The composition of the Committee is expanded to include a senior manager from the Housing Opportunities Commission and the Revenue Authority, designated by those agencies.

This is a correct copy of Council action.

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